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## **NEWS RELEASE**

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced the filing of a four-count Indictment <sup>1</sup> against ANDREW ROWE charging him with aggravated identity theft, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1028A; making a false statement on a United States passport application, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1542; fraudulently attempting to obtain citizenship, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1425; and falsely representing to be a United States citizen, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 911.

This indictment alleges that on September 10, 2007, ROWE, using the false name and personal identifiers of R.T., submitted a renewal application for a United States passport. The indictment further alleges that ROWE, on October 26, 2001, made false statements in his application to become a United States citizen.

## INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
ANDREW ROWE	Philadelphia	1974

If convicted, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 25 years imprisonment, 2 years mandatory minimum imprisonment, 3 years supervised released, \$1 million fine, and a \$400 special assessment.

The case was investigated by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Denise S. Wolf.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.